

Amendments to the Specification

Please replace paragraph [0277] with the following amended paragraph:

[0277] To permit conditional expression of a potential antiproliferative gene, human epithelial breast carcinoma MCF7 cells ~~—~~were stably transfected with a tetracycline-repressible vector containing flag-epitope-tagged 95. Two clones of MCF7 cells, which showed tetracycline-sensitive expression of 95 were obtained by Northern blot. To investigate how 95 overexpression affects the growth rate of proliferating breast tumor cells, the growth of the transfectant clones and control clones in the presence or absence of tetracycline was determined. As shown in Fig. 2, 95 overexpressing clones showed significant delay in growth compared with non-induced cells.

Delete paragraph [0286] in its entirety.

Please replace paragraph [0287] with the following amended paragraph:

[0287] A novel p53 ~~and HIF-1~~ target gene, 95 has been isolated and characterized. It shares homology with PA26, a member of the GADD family. 95 is up-regulated and induces DNA damaged apoptosis in a p53 dependent manner. In contrast, 95 is up-regulated and protects MCF7 cells against ischemia and H₂O₂-induced cell death.